STATE OF VERMONT PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Docket No. 6860

Petitions of Vermont Electric Power Company, Inc. (VELCO), Vermont Transco LLC, and Green Mountain Power Corporation (GMP) for a certificate of public good, pursuant to 30 V.S.A. Section 248, authorizing VELCO to construct the so-called Northwest Vermont Reliability Project, said project to include: (1) upgrades at 12 existing VELCO and GMP substations located in Charlotte, Essex, Hartford, New Haven, North Ferrisburgh, Poultney, Shelburne, South Burlington, Vergennes, West Rutland, Williamstown, and Williston, Vermont; (2) the construction of a new 345 kV transmission line from West Rutland to New Haven; (3) the reconstruction of) a portion of a 34.5 kV and 46 kV transmission line from New Haven to South Burlington; and (4) the reconductoring of a 115 kV transmission) line from Williamstown to Barre, Vermont –

Order entered: 1/18/2007

ORDER RE: REQUEST TO JOIN CENTRAL VERMONT PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATION AS CO-PETITIONER

On September 29, 2006, Central Vermont Public Service Corporation ("CVPS") filed a request to be added as a co-petitioner in this proceeding. In its filing, CVPS notes that it owns two 46 kV transmission lines that exit the existing New Haven substation. One of the CVPS 46 kV lines interconnects with Green Mountain Power Corporation ("GMP") and continues to the GMP substation in Vergennes. CVPS proposes to extend this 46 kV line, on a temporary basis, approximately 1500 feet, from the existing New Haven substation to the new Vermont Electric Power Company, Inc. ("VELCO") New Haven substation. This temporary extension is designed to accommodate the construction of VELCO's Northwest Vermont Reliability Project

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("NRP") – which is the subject of this Docket – and would be removed upon completion of the new VELCO 115 kV transmission line from New Haven to South Burlington, which is part of the NRP.

On October 5, the Vermont Department of Public Service filed a letter stating that it did not object to CVPS's request, "provided that all parties are given an opportunity to respond to the substantive information contained in and attached to CVPS's letter."

By memorandum issued October 6, 2006, the Board set an October 12, 2006, deadline for responses to CVPS's filing. No other responses were filed.

Because CVPS owns 46 kV facilities that are being extended as part of the project that is the subject of this proceeding, CVPS is hereby added as a co-petitioner to this proceeding.

SO ORDERED.

| Dated at Montpelier, Vo | ermont, this <u>18th</u> | _day of _ | January | , 2007. |
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| | s/ David C. Coen | | | Board |
| | s/ John D. Burke | |) | of Vermont |

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FILED: January 18, 2007

Attest: s/ Susan M. Hudson

Clerk of the Board

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